



# Fact Sheet

California Environmental Protection Agency



**Air Resources Board**

## Expanded Statewide Zero Emission Vehicle (ZEV) Incentive Program

### Background

The original Statewide ZEV Incentive Program (ZIP) was authorized by California Health and Safety Code Sections 44260-44265 (AB 2061, Statutes of 2000, Assemblyman Lowenthal) and originally funded for \$18 million, providing eligible vehicles purchased or leased by December 31, 2002 with grants of up to \$9,000 per vehicle. An additional \$10 million provided in the Fiscal Year 2001-02 approved state budget for new ZEV incentives will be used to expand the program and extend it into mid-2004. Staff's proposed guidelines for implementing such an expanded program were approved by the Air Resources Board at an April 25, 2002 public meeting.

### Eligible Applicants

Eligible applicants include private and public consumers, including individuals, local government, state agencies, nonprofit organizations and private businesses. Public agencies, including federal agencies became eligible as of January 1, 2002.

### Eligible Vehicles

#### **Original ZIP – October 1, 2000 through December 31, 2002**

New electric passenger cars and trucks certified by the Air Resources Board and capable of operation on the freeway and included in the List of Eligible Vehicle Models below are eligible for grants under the original ZIP program. With ARB approval, previously leased vehicles that have been substantially upgraded with new technologies are also eligible. Purchase, or commencement of the lease, must occur on or after October 1, 2000 and on or before December 31, 2002.

#### **Expanded ZIP – April 25, 2002 through June 30, 2004**

The expanded ZIP provides grants in varying amounts to models including full function ZEVs, City ZEVs, Zero Emission Motorcycles and Neighborhood ZEVs. Purchase, or commencement of the lease, must occur on or after April 25, 2002 and on or before June 30, 2004. New vehicles that are ARB certified and included on the list of Eligible Vehicle Models below are eligible for grants.

### Grant Application and Distribution

Grants are awarded on a first-come-first served basis, while funds are available, and vary by vehicle model. Applicants must accept delivery of the vehicle prior to applying for the grant; a grant guarantee may be obtained 30 days prior to the scheduled delivery date. Under the original ZIP, the grant is paid to the applicant in three equal annual allotments unless a lessor agrees to accept the grant and provide the lessee (applicant) with an up front reduction in lease price. The expanded ZIP pays the grant in one installment and

the grant amount may be assigned to the dealer. If available, other federal and local incentives may augment ZIP grants.

## **EXPANDED STATEWIDE ZEV INCENTIVE PROGRAM**

### **List of Eligible Vehicle Models and Maximum Grants**

#### **New Vehicle Grant Amounts**

*(Through December 31, 2002, subject to fund availability)*

<b>Make and Model</b>	<b>Maximum<sup>1</sup></b>
Chevrolet S-10 Pb-A (truck)	\$9,000
Chevrolet S-10 NiMH (truck)	\$9,000
Dodge EPIC EV NiMH (van)	\$9,000
Ford Ranger EV NIMH (truck)	\$9,000
Ford Ranger EV Pb-A (truck)	\$9,000
Ford Th!nk City EV (2-seat city car)	\$9,000
General Motors EV1 Pb-A (2-seat coupe)	\$9,000
General Motors EV1 NiMH (2-seat coupe)	\$9,000
Nissan Altra (wagon)	\$9,000
Toyota RAV 4 NiMH (sport utility)	\$9,000
Solectria Force Pb-A (sedan)	\$9,000

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<sup>1</sup>For leased vehicles the maximum grant will be prorated if the lease period is less than 36 months.

<sup>2</sup>Manufacturers of low speed/Neighborhood ZEVs may participate in the expanded ZIP on a voluntary basis or the ZEV regulatory credit program, but not both.

## Previously Leased Vehicles with Substantial Upgrades

*(Through December 31, 2002, subject to fund availability)*

<b>Make and Model</b>	<b>Maximum<sup>2</sup></b>
1997 General Motors EV1 with Panasonic Pb-A (2-seat coupe)	\$3,500

## Grant Amounts for the Expanded Statewide ZIP

*(Through June 30, 2004, subject to fund availability)*

The expanded Statewide ZIP will provide varying grant amounts for eligible ZEVs, up to \$5,000 for full function ZEVs, \$3,500 for City ZEVs, up to \$2,000 for Zero Emission Motorcycles (ZEMs) and \$1,000 for Neighborhood ZEVs.<sup>3</sup> ARB staff will work with vehicle manufacturers to identify eligible vehicle models. Purchases/ leases prior to the placement of a vehicle model on this list will not be eligible for grants.

NOTE: Recently, Global Electric Motors (GEM) informed ARB staff that it does not plan to participate in the ZIP II incentive program; therefore, GEM vehicle models will not be eligible for ZIP II grants, nor included in this list.

## Additional ZEV Information

For specific information on State ZEV incentives, contact the ARB ZEV Incentives Program Manager at (866) 808-0189 or the South Coast Air Quality Management District's ZEV Incentive Program Manager at (909) 396-2638 (for local residents). More information on the Zero Emission Vehicle Incentive Program is available on ARB's web site at <http://www.arb.ca.gov/msprog/zevprog/zevprog.htm> or at <http://www.zevinfo.com>.

General questions may be answered by contacting the ARB toll-free at (800) END-SMOG/(800) 363-7664 (California only) or (800) 242-4450. You may obtain this document in an alternative format by contacting ARB's ADA Coordinator at (916) 322-4505 (voice); (916) 324-9531 (TDD, Sacramento area only); or (800) 700-8326 (TDD, outside Sacramento).

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